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> Re: KUVO (FM), Denver, Colorado Facility Identification Number: 16687 Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Network, Inc. Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20131031ADX

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed October 31, 2013, on behalf of Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Network, Inc. ("RMPBN"). RMPBN requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on September 9, 2004, to operate Station KUVO with reduced power.<sup>1</sup>

RMPBN acquired KUVO from Denver Educational Broadcasting in June 1, 2013. In its efforts to resolve the longstanding issues requiring reduced power operation, the previous licensee (Denver Educational Broadcasting) had attempted to relocate the tower, or alternatively make other changes, to restore permanent, licensed operation, but was prevented from doing so by litigation. RMPBN is exploring plans to make modifications at the present transmitter site, and is currently in negotiations with the county government which opposes the changes under consideration. Consequently, RMPBN requests an extension of the STA while these matters are being addressed.

Requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KUVO is licensed for operation on Channel 207C1 (89.3 MHz) with effective radiated power of 22.5 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 278 meters.

• No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KUVO may continue to operate with reduced power. RMPBN must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on May 4, 2014.

Sincerely,

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cc: Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Network, Inc.